

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Toshikazu YABE, et al.

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Appln. No.: 10/804,142

Group Art Unit: 3682

Confirmation No.: 6378

Examiner: Peter MULCAHY

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For:

RUBBER MATERIAL COMPOSITION AND LINEAR MOTION APPARATUS

Request for Consideration of Supplemental Preliminary Amendment

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants have received an Office Action mailed on June 28, 2004. However, the June 28 Office Action does not take into account new claims 9-64 as added by the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment filed on June 1, 2004. Accordingly, it appears that the June 1 Supplemental Preliminary Amendment and the June 28 Office Action "crossed in the mail". Accordingly, Applicants hereby request a new Office Action that addresses the June 1 Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, including new claims 9-64.

Respectfully submitted,

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